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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR EXCISE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 6th May, 2020

No. EX/176/2016/69.-In exercise of the powers conferred by section 84 the Assam Excise Act,2000 (Assam Act XIV of 2000), the Governor of Assam is hereby pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Assam Excise Rules, 2016, hereinafter referred to as the principal Rules, namely :-

Short title and Commencement

- 1. (1) These Rules may be called the Assam Excise (Amendment) Rules, 2020.
 - (2) They shall come into force on the on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

Amendment of rule 19

2. In the principal Rules, in rule 19 (a), in clause III, in the table, after Serial No.23, the following new Serial No.s24, 25 and 26 with entries thereto in columns 1, 2 and 4 respectively, shall be inserted, namely :-

SI. No.	Kind of licence	Rate of licence fee
24	(a) Composite licence for Hotel- cum- Restaurant-cum- Bar for consumption "ON" the premises of 3 star category of Hotels having up to 50 rooms.	Rs. 8,00,000.00 per annum

	(b) Composite licence for Hotel- cum- Restaurant- cum- Bar for consumption "ON" the premises of 3- star category of Hotels having more than 50 rooms	Rs. 9,00,000.00 per annum
	(c) Composite licence for Hotel- cum-Restaurant – cum- Bar for consumption "ON" the premises of 4- star category of Hotels having up to 50 rooms.	Rs. 10,00,000.00 per annum
	(d) Composite licence for Hotel- cum- Restaurant-cum- Bar for consumption "ON" the premises for 4 – star category of Hotels having more than 50 rooms	Rs. 12,00,000.00 per annum
25	(a) Composite licence for Hotel cum- Restaurant- cum-Bar for consumption "ON" the premises of 5- star and above category of Hotels having up to 100 rooms.	Rs. 18,00,000.00 per annum
	(b) Composite licence for Hotel cum- Restaurant — cum- Bar for consumption "ON" the premises of 5- star and above category of Hotels having more than 100 rooms.	Rs. 20,00,000.00 per annum

Insertion of new Rule 117(a):

- In the Principal Rules, after rule 117, the following new rule 117 A shall be inserted, namely: -
- (i) Composite license(s) for Hotel- cum-Restaurant-cum- Bar shall be granted by the State Government for consumption on the premises of (i) 3-star (ii) 4- star and (iii) 5-star and above category of Hotels.
- (ii) A site plan in the form of blue print for such license(s) shall be required to be submitted by the applicant along with the application. Such license(s) shall be granted by the Collector with the previous sanction of State Government on payment of annual license fee as may be prescribed by the State Government from time to time.

Explanation (i): Blue print shall indicate the total number of rooms for guest accommodation and also the place (s) intended to be used for restaurant and bar, wherein liquor would be served, subject to a maximum number of 3 of such bars and/or restaurant in such a hotel. Explanation (ii): If the holder(s) of a license of the category under Rule 117(a) apply for one or more additional bar(s) at the existing site the Collector may grant the additional license(s) on approval of the proposal by the state government after realisation of the prescribed fee in force in this regard.

Explanation (iii): Existing holders of license for retail sale of Foreign Liquor for consumption 'ON' the premises of Hotel and/or Restaurant and/or Bar in respect of 3-star, 4-star and 5-star and above category of hotels shall apply afresh for obtaining the composite license(s) under Rule 117(a). The collector shall grant the composite license(s) in lieu of existing license(s) for the consumption "ON" the premises with the previous sanction of the state government and on payment of the prescribed licence fee in force in this regard.

Explanation (iv): All other hotels below 3-star category, who are desirous to obtain liquor 'ON' license and all other existing licenses of such category of hotels shall continue to be governed by the existing provisions of the Rules, including the newly inserted provision in rule 116.

Explanation (v): For the purpose of the provisions of these rules, 3-star, 4-star, 5-star and above Hotels shall mean Hotels duly classified by the Tourism Department in this regard."

Amendment of rule 118

4. In the principal Rules, for rule 118, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"118 Temporary Bar Licence:-

A Temporary Bar Licence for fairs, festivals (except national and religious festivals) meeting and public entertainment may be granted by the Collector on payment of licence fees as may be prescribed by the State Government on such terms and conditions as may be specified by the Excise Commissioner provided that no such licence shall be granted for a period exceeding one day at a time

Amendment of rule 127

5. In the Principal Rules, in rule 127, for clause (ii) the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"(ii) Temporary Late Closing Licence:

The collector may, grant a Temporary Late Closing Licence to the holder of a licence for consumption 'ON' the premises if he desires for keeping his bar open beyond the prescribed time limit on payment of a fees of Rs. 5,000.00 per day upto a maximum of three days and up to 12 midnight.

Amendment of Rule 332 :

6. In the principal Rules, in rule 332, after sub-rule (2), the following new sub- rule (3), shall be inserted, namely:-

"(3) Foreign liquor "ON" licensed premises with composite license(s) as Hotel-cum-Restaurant-cum-Bar for 3-star, 4-Star and 5-Star and above category of hotels may be kept open for sale of liquor as per following timings:

(i) 3-star Hotels: Up to 12 midnight.

(ii) 4-star Hotels: Up to 2 A.M.

(iii) 5-star and above category of Hotels: 24 Hours."

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